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THE PIONEER LAND COMPANY

A paper presented at a meeting of Inter Se on April 26, 1974

By Frances Marie Brey

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Here we saw the beginning of irrigated farms and many litigations which have ensued over the years regarding the right of the individual to go out and claim such water that was available. "Riparian Rights," are still in the courts today.

In 1864, an enterprising settler, Porter Putnam, took advantage of the stage coaches that passed through Porterville. These stage coaches followed the route laid out by the Pony Express, stopping at Porterville, and traveling on after refreshing themselves and their animals, for the continued journey southward.

Putnam seemed to be able to supply materials which were so badly needed to continue these journeys across the country. His thrift encouraged him to save his money and to purchase for $200 an acre, land bounded by what is now Putnam Avenue, Fourth Street, Willow Street and Division Street; across Main Street, Second and Third Streets and Mill Street, Oak and Garden. This land was purchased from Peter Donahoe. Putnam seemed to reign supreme until John B. Hockett, anoher early adventurer and settler, bought 320 acres of land adjoining Putnam's to the south. If you follow the old maps, you will find the boundaries of this land and then can account for the confusion of the names applied to these streets.

It was the coming of the railroad which started the real, but slow, growth of Porterville. The railroad had succeeded in winding its way from San Francisco and up the valley from Bakersfield. With its coming, freight rates were considerably lower than those of the stage coaches. This was a big boom for the people to establish homes in the Valley. They secured water from the rivers, and in one instance, diverted the flow to what came to be known as the Mill Street Ditch. This was the supply for the flour mill which was located at the site of what is now Murry Park.

It was not until 1888 that what was then the Pacific Improvement Company bought some of the land from J.B. Hockett and the railroad was extended through Visalia where it joined a railroad built by another company. A connection was made with the City of Porterville.

A Mr. Daniel Murphy of Santa Clara, who owned a large tract of land, persuaded the railroad to come to Porterville. Phillip Lilenthall, a San Francisco banker. Leon Sloss and William Thomas were responsible for the Pioneer Land Company. The first generation of the Sloss family had made a fortune in fur trading in Alaska and were ready to use their money.

The tract of land they bought was first started by Daniel Murphy in 1862-64, about the time the Martins of Plano came to the district. It was north and northwest of Porterville and consisted of about 3000 acres which Elisha Packwood had acquired in 1850. The Pioneer Land Company purchased the original 3000 acres and added more, which was practically ten sections or 6400 acres. In the end, it extended from the hills north of Porterville to as far as Welcome Road, and northwest almost out on the plains to the old Hannah Ranch. (Jim Hannah was an attorney in Visalia.) He bought two sections of land. (Allen Bayse of Porterville was a nephew of Hannah.) The idea was to develop land for more intensive cultivation of fruits than the original use of grainland as pasture. They desired to sell it off in small parcels, and if close in, as house lots.

As with so many of the developments in California and other states throughout the United States, whole colonies of Dutch, Irish, French, etc., had been established. We find the Pioneer Land Company established a Jewish Colony. It was one of the earliest colonies established in this district. James Owen, a mail carrier, said, "Mr. Phil Bier was the agent of the land company and Simon Moses Montefiori was the benevolent patron of the Jews." In 1892, twenty families had settled there. A Mr. Katz acted as their

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A SALUTE TO THE FARMER . . . IN GRATITUDE FOR THE GOOD LAND



A CONCRETE and steel statue saluting "The Farmer" will be unveiled in May to commemorate Porterville's Bicentennial observance. The statue, created by Dr. Ken Fox, of Auburn (shown standing on back of the statue), is 16 feet high, weighs about 14 tons and will be placed on a base about four feet high. Plan is to locate the statue in the city park at Henderson and North Main; tentatively unveiling and dedication is set for May 18 in connection with annual Salute To Agriculture that ties in with the opening of the Porterville fair. A 6 p.m. parade from south to north through downtown Porterville, ending at the statue, is being discussed. The statue was contracted for several months ago by the Porterville Bicentennial commission.

Bicentennial Commission Awards Made

PORTERVILLE – Certificates of appreciation for participation in America's Bicentennial during the 1976 year were presented by members of the Porterville Bicentennial commission, with Commission Chairman Buck Shaffer doing the honors at a meeting, Monday night in the city library conference room.

Special awards, including a piece of America's Birthday cake from Philadelphia, went to Mr. and Mrs. James L. Gillis for their efforts in bringing publicity to

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THERE'S MUSIC IN THE AIR

COUNT BASIE BAND FRIDAY

PORTERVILLE – The Count Basie band, that has been an explosive force in jazz since 1936, will be on the stage of the Porterville Memorial auditorium tomorrow night, Friday, with curtain time at 8:30 p.m.

Brought to Porterville by Buck Shaffer and the PHS Panther band through arrangement with the Willard Alexander agency in New York City, the Basie band will play a benefit performance for a future trip by the Monache High Marauder band, directed by Dale Anderson.

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PHILHARMONIC SATURDAY NITE

PORTERVILLE – Cellist Zara Nelsova will be the featured soloist with the Fresno Philharmonic orchestra in its concert Saturday, January 22 at 8 p.m. in the Porterville Memorial auditorium.

Miss Nelsova will play Edward Elgar's "Concerto in E Minor, Opus 85," a somber, introspective piece that is regarded as one of Elgar's most significant compositions.

Works to be performed by the orchestra, under the direction of Guy Taylor, include Tchaikovsky's fourth symphony

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HEBEL FILES FOR COLLEGE BOARD TO REPRESENT PORTERVILLE AREA

PORTERVILLE – William J. Hebel filed his nomination papers last Friday for trustee of the Kern Community College district, area five. This area comprises all of the Porterville and Monache High School districts served by Porterville college.

Hebel is associated with The Standard Register company in the capacity of purchasing manager, Pacific coast plants. Prior to coming to Porterville in 1972, he served in the same capacity for Standard Register at Oakland for four years, and supervisor of inventory control, accounts payable, division material control - purchasing and material departments for the six years before that.

Since 1956, Hebel has been employed by Standard Register, and during his first seven years was located at Glendale where he served in many capacities. He has been with The Standard Register company for over 20 years.

Hebel attended high sshool in Illinois, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce from Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois. He is a

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William J. Hebel

CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF OPENS TOMORROW

PORTERVILLE – "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof," the Pultizer-prize-winning play by Tennessee Williams, opens at Porterville's Barn theater tomorrow night, January 21, with curtain at 8:15 p.m. Traditional Barn champagne party will follow the opening-night performance.

In the cast are Larry Unser, Pam Putnam, Ralph Rose, Elfrieda Whatley, Doug Unser, Nicki Edwards, Ed. Fontenot, Paul DuPratt, Daren and Erin Griswold, Will Jameson, Sara Gunderson, Angie Unser, John Gunderson, Sonja Gunderson, and Billie Hamblin.

The play is directed by Barbara Worthington; scenery is being handled by John Gibson.

The "Cat" will run Friday and Saturday nights for three weekends; reservations can be made by calling 784-2573.

WOMEN FOR AGRICULTURE COMPLETE ORGANIZATION WITH 250 MEMBERS

EXETER – The Tulare County Chapter, California Women for Agriculture, began a new year and a new organization early this month with more than 250 charter members.

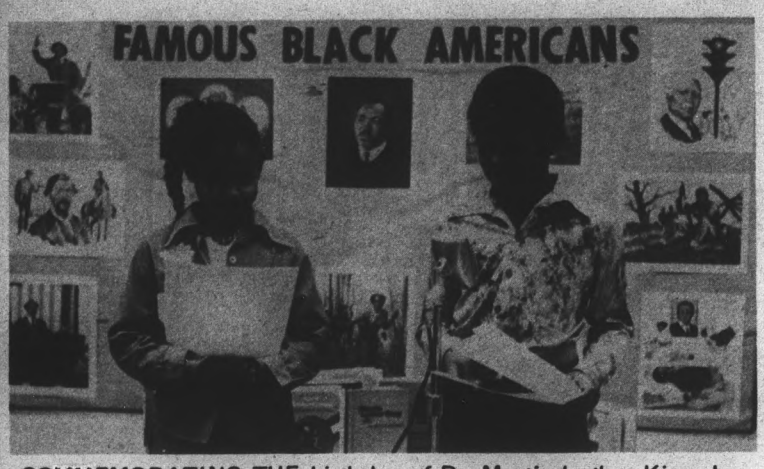
Virginia Cosart, wife of Exeter grape grower and packer Stan Cosart, was elected president for 1977. Serving with her will be Donna Sharp (Mrs. Roy) of Tulare, vice president; Jeannie Hester (Mrs. Dale), Farmersville, secretary and Sherry Pinkham (Mrs. Bud), Exeter, treasurer.

Area representatives will serve as board members to plan courses of action for the neophyte organization, the state's 24th chapter. Elected were Kay George and Donna Ethridge, Dinuba; Margaret Falcinella, Dolores Tartaglia, Earlimart; Ann Dungan, Linda Pescosolido, Betsy Peterson, Exeter; Betty Hutcheson, Farmersville; Genada Lynn, Ivanhoe; Agnes Pelous, Janice Hurley, Lindsay/Strathmore; Mary Berra, Willie Childress, Clara Rutherford, June Wahlen, Porterville; Bonnie Anderson, Jeanne Erickson, Tulare; Helen Gunn, Eula Mae Hash, Visalia; Bonnie Welch, Margaret Wolff, Woodlake.

Plans for the year, according to Mrs. Cosart, include educational meetings and action programs when necessary. "CWA is an organization of women who will speak in a truthful and forceful manner in defense of agriculture.

"Unlike most men's agricultural groups," she continued. 'CWA members represent a variety of commodities. Membership includes non-farm women and is not limited in age or political belief."

Further information and membership forms may be obtained by writing, CWA, P.O. Box 52, Exeter, CA 93221, or by calling 592-2821.



COMMEMORATING THE birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Olive Street school students Valerie Devine and Brian Butler read a script of King's stormy career as peacemaker in America and tragic death on April 4, 1968 in Memphis. All Porterville elementary schools are this week using portions of class time to learn about King's efforts toward integration and helping the nation's poor.

WARNING

With several fires in schools reported in recent weeks, officials of the County Fire Protection service warn that intentionally setting fire to a school building is a felony, punishable by two to 20 years in prison, and that parents are responsible for a child's malicious conduct and are liable for up to $2,000 in damages.

CANNON RESIGNS AS CO. ASSESSOR

VISALIA – Carroll Cannon has submitted his resignation as Tulare County assessor to the county board of supervisors, effective February 28, after 21 years of service in the assessor's department. Cannon said that the reason for his action is "mostly personal," and involves the fact that he has reached retirement age.

Hebel Files . . .

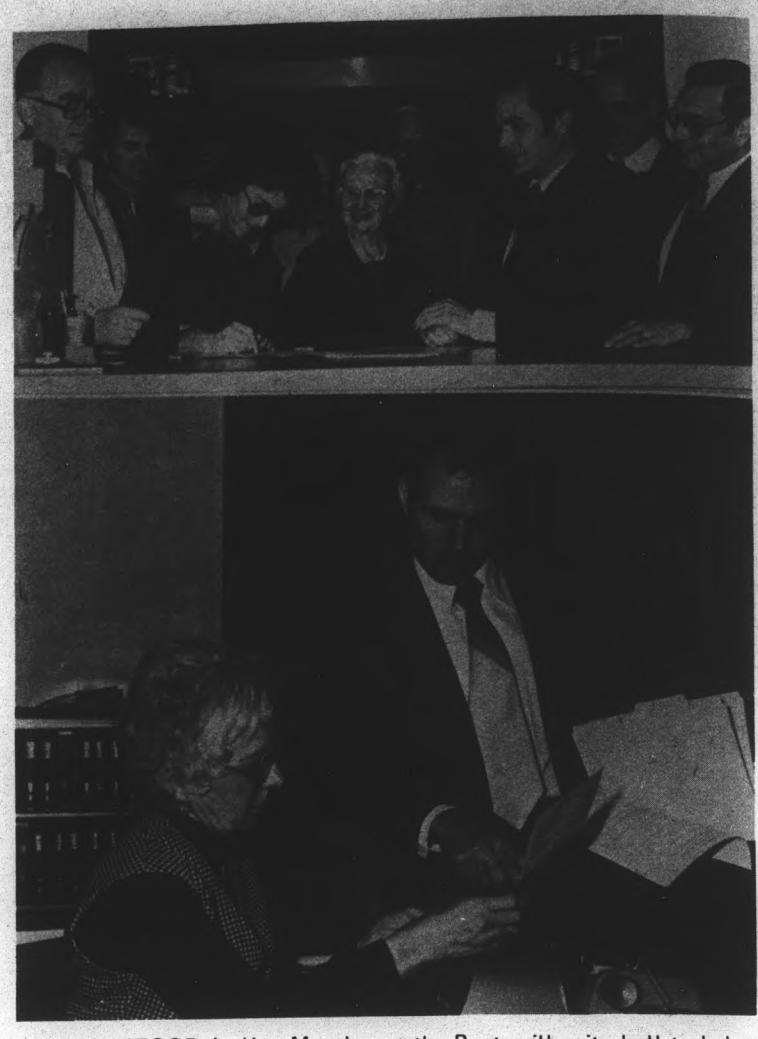
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Certified Purchasing manager, holding a certificate from the National Association of Purchasing Managers, and is also a member of the Society for the Advancement of Management of the American Management association, having served as president of the Los Angeles and San Francisco chapters and executive vice president of the Oakland chapter. Since receiving his degree, he has done a considerable amount of post-graduate work at U.C.L.A.

Being interested in local community affairs, Hebel belongs to the Breakfast Lions club, the Porterville College Buccaneers club and is serving on the board of directors of the Porterville fair.

Hebel says that he feels the Porterville community should have stronger representation on the Kern community college board of trustees. He further states that along with maintaining a high level of instruction for transfer students, strong efforts should be made to develop non-transfer students' skills and offer courses that will equip them to be more qualified to handle higher paying employment in the local community after their graduation.

Hebel also states that he does not feel that quality education is necessarily tied to higher costs.



FOLKS STOOD in line Monday at the Porterville city hall to help Colm O'Hara launch his campaign for Porterville city council. O'Hara, an industrial relations manager with Standard Register, picked up the necessary 30 signatures then moved across the hall to officially file with Deputy City Clerk Melba Lawing.

(Farm Tribune photos)

REGULATIONS PROPOSED TO ALLOW FARMERS' MARKETS

SACRAMENTO – If proposed regulations of the Department of Food and Agriculture are adopted, the provisions will be made for the establishment of certified farmers' markets and certification of farmers, and farmers or certified farmers will be authorized to sell their products, direct to consumers, exempt from size, standard pack, marking and container requirements in Group 4, Title 3, of the California Administrative code.

The proposed changes will be presented at a hearing January 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Food and Agriculture building, 1220 N street, Assembly Room 127, Sacramento. Interested persons will have a chance to present statements or arguments orally or in writing at that time.

According to department assistant director, Dave Bingham, the proposed regulations is intended to facilitate"...the direct transfer of food from farmers to consumers. . ." in a manner similar to that which can be accomplished on the farm. Although exempt from the requirements mentioned above, products of farmers or certified farmers will still be required to meet minimum quality and maturity requirements.

A farmer may sell products, under the exemption provisions, at a retail stand operated by the farmer at or immediately adjacent to the point of production. A farmer who requests and receives a certified producer's certificate from the local county agricultural commissioner, may sell products at a retail stand operated by the farmer at any point within the county of production or at a certified farmer's market any place within the State.

A farmer's market could be certified by the local county agricultural commissioner, provided that all produce sold at such a market is produced and sold by a certified farmer direct to consumers. In addition, such a market would have to be operated on a nonprofit basis by one or more certified farmers, an agency of government, or nonprofit organization.

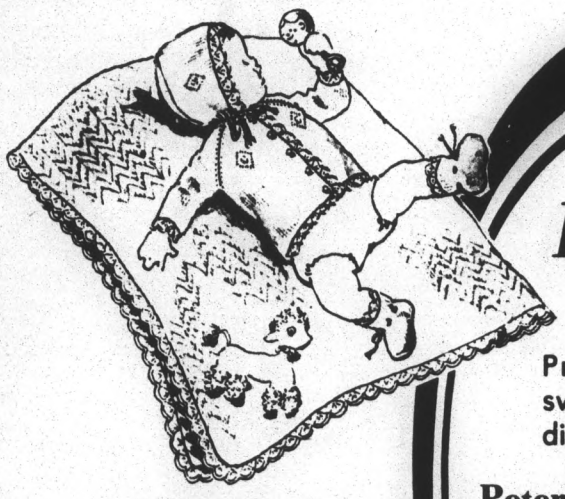
A complete copy of the proposed regulation may be obtained from Fruit and Vegetable Quality Control-Standardization, Department of Food and Agriculture, 1220 N Street, Room A-265, Sacramento 95814.

JOHNSON NAMED TO HOSPITAL JOB

PORTERVILLE – Donald B. Johnson has been appointed Chief of Community Liaison services of Porterville State Hospital by James T. Shelton, M.D., executive director. Johnson transferred from Sonoma State hospital where he was coordinator of admissions in the office of Community Liaison services. He replaces Dwayne Greenig who accepted a position with the Veterans Administration hospital, Sheridan, Wyoming.

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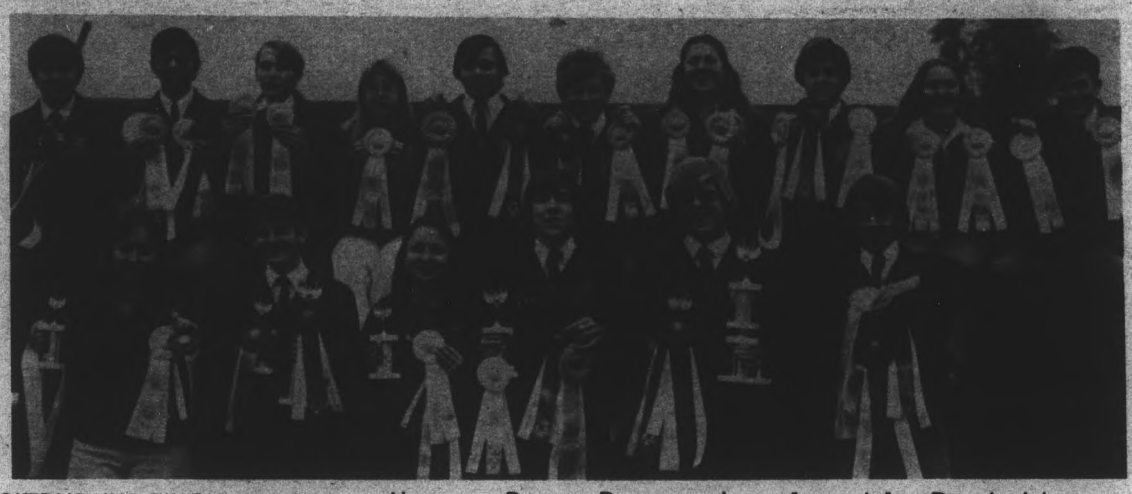
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CITRUS JUDGING teams from Porterville High FFA blitzed the Third Annual Reedley FFA Field day, taking 52 of the 73 ribbons presented, and all eight trophies. Team members are, front row from left: Katherine Homer, Roger Drummond, Maureen Cummings (first place B team), Toby Nieblas, Tim Hicks, and Jeff Hall (first place A team). Back row from left are members of the second A team and second and third B teams, from left: Darrel Johnstone, Israel Longoria, John Meyer, Joyce Hall, David Adams, Jason Johnson, Jeri Finley, Ken Goode, Kathy Finley, and Evan Jones.

INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SEMINAR IN TULARE FEBRUARY 4

TULARE – The California Farm Equipment show will host a major international agricultural seminar on exporting and importing, February 4, 1977, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial building, Tulare, as a preliminary feature of the 10th annual Farm show scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday, February 8-10, on the Tulare county fairgrounds.

Mitchell Kobelinski, director of the U.S. Small Business administration will head up a six man panel which will discuss four major elements of international trade during the day's discussion. Emphasis is being placed on ways in which Western growers and ranchers can become more knowledgeable and involved in importing and exporting.

Other panel members include: Robert Waggoner, president of International Custom Service, Inc., Los Angeles (a freight forwarder and custom house broker); Scott Randall, president of California Agricultural Market, Inc. (an export-import company); and Herbert Hibberling, U.S. Department of Commerce, San Francisco.

The seminar will be conducted in four segments. The first, on the international sale of agricultural related manufactured products, will discuss potential markets for sophiscated equipment; licensing agreements; methods of contacting potential buyers; and the ability to ascertain validated buyers from speculators.

Panelists will also cover tariff barriers for United States goods as well as the various problems involving freight, including: freight tariffs; packaging; preferential freight treatments; air and sea shipments; and bulk rate shipments.

Private and government financing arrangements will be examined to include all methods of financing. This segment will include information concerning the differences between having an in house export department and having an external export department. It will also identify sources where additional information may be found.

The second section will discuss the international sale of agricultural commodities grown in the United States and will deal with specific commodities including California's main crops. The seminar will also cover potential areas of the world for various crops, freight rates, methods of shipment (air, sea, gas packs, containerized, refrigerated), methods of reaching countries not readily accessible by major sea routes, and comparative costs.

International finance arrangements will be duscussed as well as such specific elements as checking out new buyers, responding to inquiries, and other government and private support programs.

The third section will deal with the sale and distribution in the U.S. of products manufactured in other countries. This discussion will include what a manufacturer looks for in selecting a U.S. representative, his advantages and disadvantages.

Final element will deal with the transfer of technology and managerial skills from developed countries. Questions will be answered from the simple to the complex. The differences between international and domestic business will be outlined, and specifics such as joint ventures, coordinating educational needs, required technology, how to negotiate a contract, and available finances for feasibility studies, land development, food processing equipment, etc. This discussion will also cover such delicate topics as how to protect against nationalization projects.

The seminar, which is being sponsored by the San Joaquin Valley Export/Import association, the University of California Extension service, the Tulare chamber of commerce, the California Farm Equipment show, and International Agri-Center, Inc., will begin with registration at 8:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon and cocktails will be available after adjournment at 4:00 p.m.

For reservations call Susan Smith at the Tulare chamber of commerce (209) 686-1547.

STORY BY LOCAL WRITER IN MAGAZINE

PORTERVILLE – A cover photograph and story by Willma Willis Gore, of Porterville, is featured in the January issue of the national magazine, "Farm Wife News."

The story and photographs concern LaVerne Essegian, of Selma and her participation with her husband, Richard, in their custom boot making business in Fresno.

SERVICE CENTER FOR RETARDED

PORTERVILLE – California State Department of Health staff, representatives of local schools, planning authorities, regional centers and area boards, plus Porterville State Hospital staff met January 12 at the hospital for the purpose of organizing a Satellite Planning group to develop a community service center for the mentally retarded under the administrative jurisdiction of Porterville State hospital.

NEEDLEWORK SHOW HOSPITAL BENEFIT

TULARE – Nimble Thimble '77, a needlework show sponsored by the Cottage Guild of the Tulare District hospital, will be held March 24 through 28, with entry forms for the hospital benefit event available from Mrs. Helen Pacheco, 927 Terrace Park, Tulare 93274, or phone 686-3242.

MONACHE CITRUS TEAM PLACES THIRD

PORTERVILLE – Monache FFA's "A" citrus judging team Robin Williams, Eddie Warzee and Tom Hetherington, coached by M.L. Gifford, captured third place overall team honors Saturday at Reedley High School's third annual FFA field day.

In individual competition, Williams rated third in citrus nursery trees; Warzee, third in lemons; and Hetherington, second in grapefruit.

Christy Perez in "B" competition placed first in lemons.

Other teams competing were from Porterville high, Redwood, Mt. Whitney, and Madera. FFA Advisor at Reedley, is Gordon Todd, Jr., formally of Ducor.

FARM FRONT

VISALIA – Tulare County Agricultural Commissioner Clyde R. Churchill reports that this is the way it was on the Tulare County Farm Front during the week that ended January 15:

Recent rains have helped grain growth, particularly dryland grain, but more rainfall is needed to improve moisture conditions.

Activity has slowed in field crops. Cotton growers are still shredding fields and tilling them to comply with the February 1st plowdown date.

Emperor grapes are still moving from storage. Some reconditioning prior to shipment is in progress. Pruning of trees and vines continues. Some growers are applying dormant deciduous sprays.

Harvest of Navel oranges and lemons continues. Demand is picking up a little. Some fruit is being exported. Some tangerines and minneola tangelos are being packed.

Recent rains have improved moisture conditions in the foothill rangeland but more rain is needed to keep the grass growing at lower elevations.

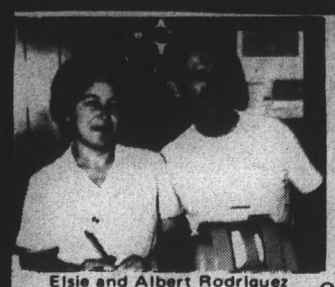
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21-22 - "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof." Barn Theater
22 - Canterbelle Cattle Penning, Fair Grounds
22 - Fresno Philharmonic, Memorial Aud.
25 - 4-H Ag. Advisory Brd., Edison Bldg.
25 - Blood Bank, Elks Lodge
28-29 - "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof, Barn Theater
29 - Burton 4-H Field Day, Fair Grounds
FEBRUARY
1 - Tri-County Walnut Day, PPAV Hall, Visalia
4-5 - "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof," Barn Theater
5 - Porterville Chamber Banquet, Monache Campus Center
12 - County 4-H Livestock Judging Field Day, Fair Grounds
15 - 4-H Leaders Council, PHS, FFA Bldg.
15 - Hi-4-H, PHS, FFA Bldg.
19 - 4-H Area Dress Review, Monache High
26 - Co. 4-H Demonstration Day & Talent Show, Monache High
APRIL
2 - Banquet, Springville-Sierra Rodeo Queen Contestants, Mem. Bldg.
9 - Jackass Mail Run?, Porterville-Springville
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Tangerines are moving slowly from California because of limited demand.

Jaycees Looking For Good Men During National Week Observance

PORTERVILLE – Good men between the ages of 18 and 35 years are being sought by Porterville Jaycees who are making a special drive on membership during National Jaycee week, this week.

Those interested can contact Jim McDonald, president of Porterville Jaycees, at Jones Furniture, 784-2212, or stop in at a Jaycee meeting tonight, January 20, in Gang Sue's Jade room, at 7 p.m.

The Jaycee organization is dedicated to community service with local Jaycees handling sale of exhibit space and program advertising for the Porterville fair; sponsoring an annual Junior Miss Pageant; and participating in parades and public programs in the community.

Recently Porterville Jaycees contributed $500 to the Porterville Museum; they formed a new chapter at the CYA camp at Mountain Home; they conducted a Christmas food drive; and staged a turkey shoot.

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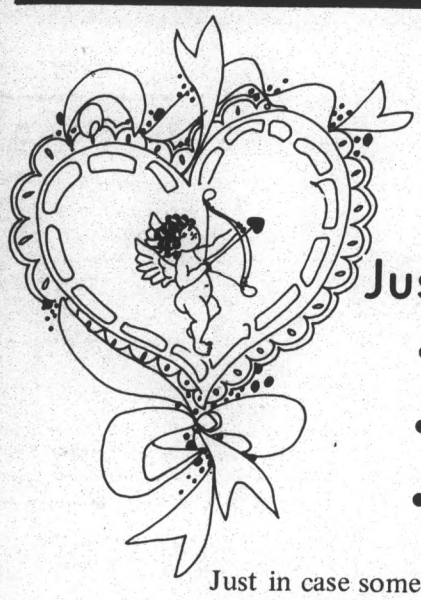
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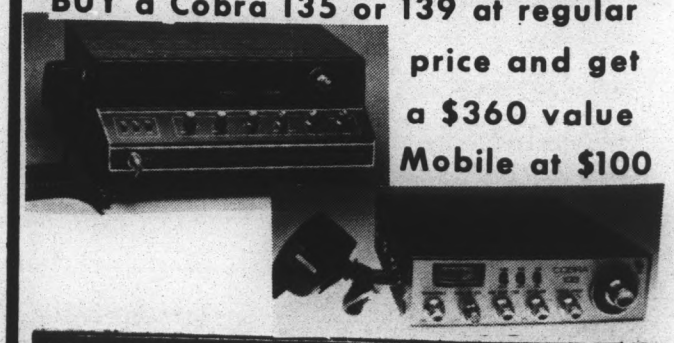
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ANOTHER DONATION to the Porterville museum this week came from the Breakfast Lions club, with President Mike Garcia, dark coat, presenting a club check to Pam Melton, museum curator. At left is Orlin Shires, chairman of the museum board; at right Dr. Vic Young, a member of a "Friends of the Museum" committee and a past president of the Lions club. Garcia said that the museum "is a good project and deserves support," pointing out that both organizational and individual donations are being accepted at the Porterville chamber of commerce office. The Breakfast Lions have made many major contributions through the years, including building a display area off the south end of the museum building; constructing a fence around the Porterville fair grounds, and building the Sheltered Workshop facility on E Street.

(Hammond Studio photo)

New Cotton Variety Is Recommended For Planting In Heavy Wilt Areas

VISALIA – The release of a new cotton variety, T-5690, for planting in heavy wilt areas in the San Joaquin valley cotton belt was recommended at a recent Visalia meeting by the Continuous Cotton Variety Testing committee (CCVTC).

The committee was established in 1966 at the suggestion of the California legislature to screen cotton varieties showing promise for profitable production under San Joaquin valley conditions. The program is directed by Dick Bassett, University of California agronomist.

In varietal tests conducted during the 1976 season, T-5690 had an eight-location yield average of 1170 pounds of lint, compared with 1135 pounds for SJ-4, the variety now in general planting in wilt districts.

Like SJ-4 and SJ-2, the cotton grown in non-wilt areas, T-5690 is an Acala family cotton developed at the U.S. Cotton Research station at Shafter. Dr. H.B. Cooper, director, said if the committee's recommendation for release is accepted by the required agencies, seed reproduction can be started in 1977 so commercial plantings could commence in the 1979 season. The expectation is that SJ-2 will continue as the recommended variety in non-wilt sections.

In Dr. Bassett's 1976 trials, SJ-2 was behind SJ-4 and T-5690 in wilt areas but outperformed both by a significant margin where wilt was not a problem.

In another action, the committee approved six cottons for wide-scale variety testing in 1977. Also, private and public cotton breeders throughout the nation will be invited to submit their entries in 1977 screening trials, conducted at three locations in the valley.

An election was announced to fill two grower positions on the committee. The three-year terms of Dick Markarian, Fresno county, and Stanley Hawk, Kings county, are expiring. Nominating petitions will be mailed to growers in the two counties December 30 and must be returned by January 21. Balloting by mail will take place between January 28 and February 18.

A reorganizational meeting of CCVTC is scheduled for March 1. Markarian currently serves as committee chairman, and Hawk is vice chairman.

TWO MILLION VISITORS IN NATIONAL PARKS

ASH MOUNTAIN – Travel to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National parks reached an all time high in 1976 with just over 2,168,000 visits recorded, an 8.8 percent increase over 1975.

Persons entering the backcountry of both Sequoia and Kings canyon totaled 46,700 in 1976, as compared to 48,200 in 1975. The decrease was probably due to the high fire danger, the restrictions on campfires, and the large fire near Cedar Grove in early summer, according to Superintendent Stanley T. Albright.

Backcountry visitor nights for 1976, totaled 185,800 for the two parks with 58 percent or 107,700 in Kings Canyon and 42 percent or 78,000 in Sequoia, he said. This compares to backcountry visitor nights in 1975 totaling 218,500 for both Parks.

Campers in the 14 established campgrounds of the parks totaled 379,800 in 1976 or an increase of 11 percent over 1975 which had 343,200 campers. Concession operated facilities had a total of 119,700 overnight visits of 104,200 people, Albright said.

COGDELL FINISHES AIR FORCE COURSE

WICHITA FALLS, TEX. – Airman Ronald B. Cogdell has graduated from the U.S. Air Force's heating systems specialist course conducted by the Air Training command.

He is a 1976 graduate of Monache High school.

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By Leland H. Ruth
Executive Vice-President
Agricultural Council of California

COMPUTER-AGED FARM FORECASTING

No doubt about it, agriculture is becoming every bit as sophisticated as any other type of business in America. A recent article in Business Week drives the point home. Agribusinesses are turning to costly, accurate, private forecasting services to predict farm prices.

The rapidly growing number of users of these forecasting services includes banks, commodity traders, government agencies and all types of agribusiness firms. Each of these operations then uses the information they buy to develop marketing strategies.

U.S.D.A. DATA

The U.S.D.A. is, by far, the largest farm-related data gathering agency in America. Vast numbers of economists are continually developing forecast and statistical reports. But the U.S.D.A. will not predict farm prices for individual commodities, for political and other reasons. There are also plenty of agricultural commodity newsletters and consulting groups that discuss outlook for the farm economy.

The new breed of forecasting firms goes a few steps beyond the services of the U.S.D.A. and the commodity newsletters. They call their business "Econometric Forecasting." Their forecasts are apparently based on complex domestic supply-and-demand equations, foreign-trade flows, rates of economic growth, world commodity production, weather forecasts and government policy. For each client, the econometricians may add certain features to meet particular desires.

WORLD-WIDE CONDITIONS

The need for these highly-sophisticated price prediction services was realized by agribusiness with the swing from world-wide shortages to world-wide surpluses in agricultural commodities. Companies dependent on agriculture for their livelihood must develop their marketing strategies months, and even years before the strategy is put to use. Once a trend in a given farm commodity is identified with at least some degree of accuracy, a company can adjust its business activities accordingly.

ADMINISTRATIVE USE

While the data from the U.S.D.A. is the source of most of the figures used by the private forecasting companies, and while the U.S.D.A. is apparently capable of performing equally sophisticated econometric forecasting, it chooses not to provide this service to the public. Business Week quoted a senior U.S.D.A. official as saying, "We prefer keeping precise forecast figures for use within the administration while emphasizing the qualitative-oriented projections for the outside world." The reluctance of the U.S.D.A. to release their forecast information has been especially frustrating to Congress. Thus, the legislative branch of the government has turned to the private econometric forecasting companies for their information on farm prices.

BIG GET BIGGER

It appears certain that those firms capable of paying from $6,000 to $25,000 and beyond, will derive significant benefit from the efficiencies of econometric forecasting. The smaller agribusinesses will probably conclude that private forecasting services are too costly, at which time they will realize the age of computers has placed them at a competitive disadvantage.

KETCHUM BILL WOULD END DEFICIT SPENDING

WASHINGTON – Congressman Bill Ketchum has introduced a constitutional amendment to end deficit spending, and to provide for systematic repayment of the national debt. Ketchum, who sponsored identical measures in both previous Congresses, said that the legislation "demands a balanced federal budget, disallowing any appropriation to be made which exceeds the estimated annual national revenue."

"Only a constitutional amendment can terminate the reckless spending of non-existent money, a practice the federal government has carried on far too long," Ketchum stated. "Should this measure succeed, big spending projects which exceed our annual revenue can only be funded if our citizens agree to additional taxation.



PIONEER JUNIOR High Student Victor Mata traded the traditional "apple for the teacher" ploy in exchange for a 2¾ pound orange he found recently in a Porterville-area citrus grove. The teacher, Mrs. Mary Beckley, holds the fruit, which measures 18½ inches in circumference. The class is currently studying California's citrus industry as part of the language arts/communicating skills curriculum.

Public Invited To Environmental Council Meeting

PORTERVILLE – The Porterville Area Environmental council will meet in the Porterville High School conference room tonight, January 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Agenda items include: Update on status of Yaudanchi (blue heron) wildlife preserve; council position on Little Kern Planning Unit of Sequoia National Forest; update on proposed South Main street bicycle path; and programs and projects for 1977.

The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are welcome.

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COMPETING IN the District XIII "Make It Yourself With Wool" Contest in Bakersfield, were Megan Flynn, Debra Todd and Kimberly Keen from the Ducor 4-H club. Miss Keen took top honor in the Junior Division (14-16 yrs.) winning a trip to Santa Rosa for the state finals to represent District XIII on January 8 and 9 in her wool pants suit that she had fully lined. Her outfit featured pants of green and camel shadow plaid, topped by a jacket of solid green with plaid detailing.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR PLANTING FRUIT TREES IN HOME ORCHARDS

By G. S. Sibbett
Tulare County Farm Advisor

Many homeowners are interested in setting out fruit trees in their landscape or developing a family orchard. Careful planning and planting, and immediate, proper care can insure healthy trees throughout their crop bearing years. Here are several suggestions for the home fruit tree planting in the southern San Joaquin Valley.

PLANNING THE ORCHARD

Choose a level site in full sun. Fruit and nut trees require evenly distributed water throughout the growing season. Planting on unlevel ground will result in portions of trees or the orchard being dry while other areas may stay too wet resulting in saturated soil and disease problems. For home orchards flat ground is recommended.

Choose fruit and nut varieties for home orchards carefully. It is desirable to have fruit varieties that mature throughout the season rather than at one time. Also, many varieties (almonds, pecans, cherries, some apples, pistachio, and some plums) require cross pollination to be fruitful and two different varieties of the species must be grown together. Your Farm Advisor's Office has several free publications dealing with home orchards and varieties for the home orchard, outline suitable varieties and indicating those that require pollination.

Allow enough space for developing the eventual size of the tree. In home orchard situations, at least 15 feet must be allowed between standard fruit trees. Apples grown on dwarf rootstock can be placed closer, eight to ten feet. Nut trees normally attain large size and must be placed at least 30 feet apart.

PLANTING

Do not allow tree roots to dry out prior to planting. Most fruit trees in the landscape are deciduous (lose their leaves during winter) and are sold "bare root." To avoid dessication of the root system (and resulting unhealthy trees), a) keep roots covered with damp burlap during transit from nursery to home, b) plant trees immediately. If any delay is necessary, cover roots with moist soil or saw dust until trees can be planted.

Early planting insures a healthy rapid start and continued vigorous growth into summer. Deciduous fruit tree roots grow during winter months. Early planting, January and February, will take advantage of as much winter root growth as possible and insure an established root system at leafing. New root growth is usually damaged by late planting and can deter shoot growth throughout the season.

New trees should be planted the same depth they grew in the nursery. Deep planting and allowing the graft union to be at or near the soil surface will result in increased Crown Rot and possibility of the scion (fruiting) variety to "root," thus, eliminating any benefit obtained by growing this variety on rootstock. Shallow planting may result in root dam age from rapid drying of surface soil and exposure of root systems during irrigation. Chances of damage will be minimized if trees are planted at the depth they grew in the nursery.

Tree holes should be dug large enough to accommodate young tree roots without crowding. Optimum tree holes are 24 inches in diameter. Trees crammed in holes too small will cause roots to bend upward which will initiate little growth for the tree's life. These trees are usually stunted and short-lived.

At planting, some minor root pruning can prevent crowding. Sides of tree holes should also be broken down to eliminate the "glazing" effect of a shovel, thus, prevent a "flowerpot" condition that inhibits water drainage.

Do not fertilize trees at planting time. Root systems of newly planted trees are tender and easily damaged by fertilizers. It is better to lightly fertilize trees with nitrogen during the growing season after root systems have become established.

Nursery trees have small root systems and will require more frequent watering than larger trees. At planting, trees should be watered immediately. Frequent light waterings will insure continuous growth of young trees during the season.

Young trees need to be cut back at planting time. In the case of almonds, peaches, nectarines, plums, and apricots a 24"-36" trunk should be left to allow well distributed main branches. Walnut trees should be headed back to balance top and root so adequate growth is made for suitable trees the following season; 3 to 5 good buds should be left above the graft union. This will allow at least one strong shoot to grow upright and become the permanent trunk; on the other hand, if the "whip" was left at planting, short week growth usually results and would have to be cut severely the following season to reestablish a strong framework (a year is lost in the growth of the tree).

KETCHUM LEADS BI-PARTISAN STUDY TO REMEDY ILLS OF WELFARE SYSTEM

WASHINGTON – Ten bi-partisan members of Congress will begin, in late January, a four-part in-depth study aimed at remedying the ills of the welfare system.

All members concerned are participating in the project voluntarily on their own time, at no cost to the government; a series of seminars was made possible by a grant from the University of Chicago.

Congressman Bill Ketchum (R., Bakersfield) organized the welfare study, working with Tom Joe of Lewin & Associates management consultant firm. "The objective of this program is to review all facets of the current welfare structure, and determine viable alternatives to end the massive waste and duplication now rampant in welfare programs," Ketchum stated.

"To my way of thinking, the best aspect of the study is that members of Congress participating represent all areas of the country, all political philosophies, and constituencies with just about every welfare problem imaginable. It is our hope that, working together, we will be able to construct realistic legislation to reform the welfare structure to the benefit of all citizens."

In addition to Ketchum, the ten-member group is comprised by Abner Mikva (D., Ill.); Clair Burgener (R.,CA); Joseph Fisher (D., VA); William Frenzel (R., Minn.); Charles Rangel (D., N.Y.); William Armstrong (R., Colo.); Joe Waggoner (D., La.); Thad Cochran (R., Miss.); and John Burton (D., CA).

The first seminar will take place January 28-30, and will be formally structured. Heads of federal agencies will present full briefings on present welfare systems, including food stamps, Medicaid, AFDC, social services, SSI, housing, transportation, manpower, CETA, unemployment insurance, and vocational education.

Following the presentations, Congressional members participating will select the areas most in need of overhaul, and attempt to sum up several workable alternatives making the programs in question more effective.

"We're aiming at less cost and more effect," Ketchum stated. "We all agree that the present structure provides less than ideal assistance at far greater cost with a far greater bureaucracy than is necessary."

Ketchum concluded by stating that further seminars will be scheduled throughout the upcoming Congress, and that he will announce the details of those meetings when agendas have been established.

Production of upland cotton in California in 1976 is estimated at 2,530,000 bales, up 29 per cent from the previous year and second only to the record production of 1974.

OUR TOWN
By Gardner Wheeler

The New Year always seems to come two weeks late round and about our house. Somehow, I have a tough time making the transition from the old year to the new when writing checks for all those Christmas delights. For awhile everything was coming out 1976-77. I am happy to report that I can now write 1977 without a miss, which makes the new year official.

But before saying goodbye altogether to the old year, let's acknowledge that 1976 was the best bicentennial year this country will ever have. It is also the only bicentennial year it will ever have, but why quibble. We have grown used to Strawberry Festivals, Cranberry Festivals, Grape Crushing Festivals and one thing and another, but the Bicentennial, with a capital B, is the only festival I know of that has had such unanimous support among the populace.

I mean, if you weren't Bicentennialing, you simply weren't living. Every town, city, and hamlet was contributing some sort of time and effort to the 200th birthday. Our Town even shifted about half its population back to Philadelphia. It was quite peaceful for awhile here, but then they sent them back again. Of course, there were the shills and shysters that always show up on these grand occasions, and defend their nefarious ways by saying, "It's the American way."

Although the birthday party got somewhat over-extended and lasted considerably too long, by any measurement, it was a great thing and the good far outweighed the bad. Everyone became very much aware of history and the philosophical principles of democracy in spite of prevailing attitudes. School children learned more about American history than they had in years. And complained about it too in the good, old American way.

And so from one who has finally achieved the skill of writing 1977 without thinking, a belated happy new year to you.

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LEWIS, MILLER JOIN U.S. AIR FORCE

VISALIA – Steven D. Lewis, of Porterville, has joined the Aerospace team as a professional member of the U.S. Air Force. Lewis is presently in the Delayed Enlistment program awaiting orders to report for transitional training at San Antonio, Texas; he is a June '76 graduate from Monache High school.

VISALIA – Charles G. Miller, of Porterville, has joined the U.S. Air Force and is presently in the delayed enlistment program awaiting orders to report for transitional training at San Antonio, Texas. He will graduate in June from Monache high school.

DUAL LANGUAGE BALLOT OPPOSED BY BILL KETCHUM

WASHINGTON – Following a survey of California's county clerks to determine the effectiveness of the bi-lingual ballot in the last election, Congressman Bill Ketchum has introduced legislation to repeal provisions of the voting rights act which mandate dual language ballots.

"The responses from the county clerks has been unanimous," Ketchum stated. "The bi-lingual ballot incurred staggering costs, but it brought less than 1% of the voting population to the polls."

Ketchum said he had also learned that many Spanish surnamed individuals expressed resentment about the bi-lingual ballot, saying it made things "too easy" for those who "Have chosen not to learn our language." He also pointed out that close examination of the so-called Spanish-surnamed population revealed that these individuals were in reality Portuguese, Basque, Italian, Filipino, or Indian.

"After evaluating my survey, I can see that the bi-lingual ballot is effective in only one area: Unnecessary expenditure of your tax dollars," he concluded.

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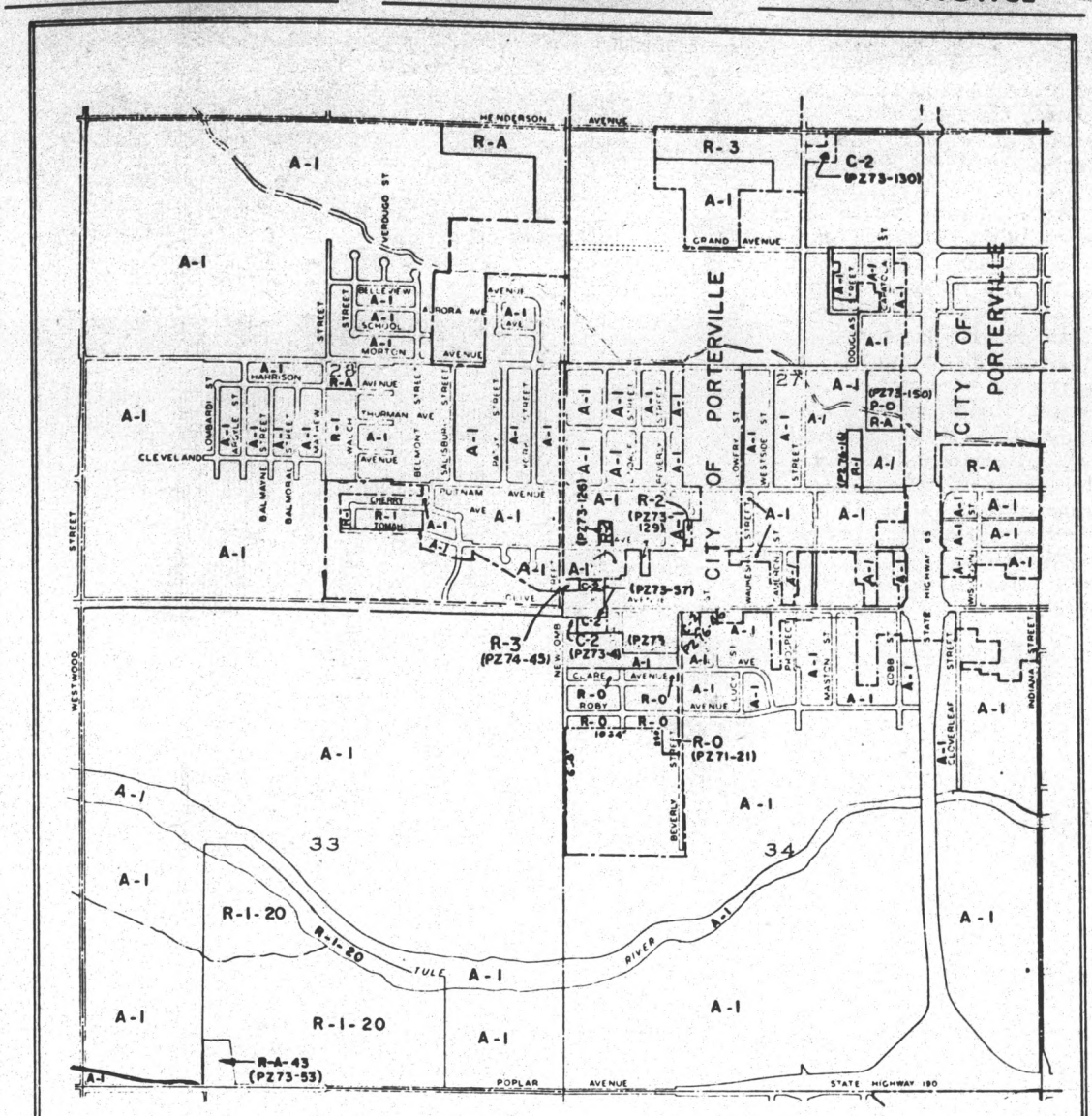


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ORDINANCE NO. 1995
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 352, BEING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND REGULATING LAND USES WITHIN CERTAIN ZONES IN THE COUNTY OF TULARE.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF TULARE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Paragraph B of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 352 of the County of Tulare is hereby amended by the adoption of an amended map of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 34 of Township 21 South, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, being a subdivision of Part 254 of the Official (Precise) Zoning Map, which amended map is hereby adopted and made a part hereof.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from the date of the passage hereof, and prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days from the passage hereof shall be published once in The Farm Tribune, a newspaper printed and published in the County of Tulare, State of California, together with the names of the Board of Supervisors voting for and against the same.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California, on the 11th day of January, 1977, at a regular meeting of said Board, duly and regularly convened on said day, by the following vote:

AYES:
Clyde R. Gould
Donald M. Hillman
Robert E. Harrell
Fred Batkin
Raymond J. Muller
NOES:
None
ABSENT:
None

Donald M. Hillman
Chairman, Board of Supervisors, County of Tulare
ATTEST: JAY C. BAYLESS, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare.
By Carol Santos, Deputy
J20

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids for "REMODEL AND ADDITION TO TULARE COUNTY FIRE STATION, RICHGROVE, CALIFORNIA," will be received at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Room 301, Courthouse, Visalia, California, until 10:00 A.M., on January 26, 1977.

Bids shall be in strict accordance with the Drawings and Specifications which are on file with the Tulare County Building Department, Room 108, Courthouse, Visalia, California. Copies of the Drawings and Specifications may be obtained from the Building Department upon request.

Bids shall be submitted on forms provided by the Building Department and along with accompanying documents, sealed in an envelope marked "Bid, REMODEL AND ADDITION TO TULARE COUNTY FIRE STATION, RICHGROVE, CALIFORNIA."

The bids will be opened, examined and declared by a Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the time and on the date above written. The bid opening will be open to the public and held in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors in the Tulare County Courthouse, Visalia, California. The results of the Bidding shall be reported to the Board of Supervisors at their next regular meeting thereafter.

Bidders will be required to bid on all items scheduled on the Bid Form. Bids submitted with items left blank will be rejected. When awarded, the Contract will be based on the lowest combination of bids received from one bidder that are awarded by the Board of Supervisors.

The successful Bidder shall furnish a Payment Bond in an amount not less than fifty percent (50%) of the amount payable under the Contract, and a Faithful Performance Bond for not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the amount payable under the contract. The successful Bidder shall furnish satisfactory proof of the maintenance of Public Liability Insurance in an amount not less than $100,000.00 for one person injured in any one accident and not less than $300,000.00 for more than one person injured in one accident and the maintenance of Property Damage Insurance in an amount not less than $25,000.

Pursuant to sections 1700-1780 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the Board of Supervisors has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality for each craft or type of workman needed to execute the contract. Said wage rates have been published pursuant to Section 1773.2 of the Labor Code and copies are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Room 301, Tulare County Courthouse, Visalia, California, and will be made available to any interested person on request.

However, because this project has a construction cost in excess of $2,000 and of which 25% or more of the cost of this project is to be paid out of entitlement funds pursuant to Public Law 92-512 (Revenue Sharing Act), all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors in the performance of work on this project must be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in this locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The Secretary's determination is also available on request.

The Contractor to whom the contract is awarded and any subcontractor under him shall pay all workmen employed on the work not less than the rates determined by the Board of Supervisors or the rates determined by the Secretary of Labor, whichever rate is higher.

No bid may be withdrawn sooner than thirty (30) days after the date set for opening thereof.

The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/or waive any informality in any bid, and/or determine in its discretion the responsibility of any bidder, and which bid is most economical to the County.

Date December 28, 1976.
By Order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California
JAY C. BAYLESS, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisers of the County of Tulare.
By Carol Santos, Deputy
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, CA 93257 which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

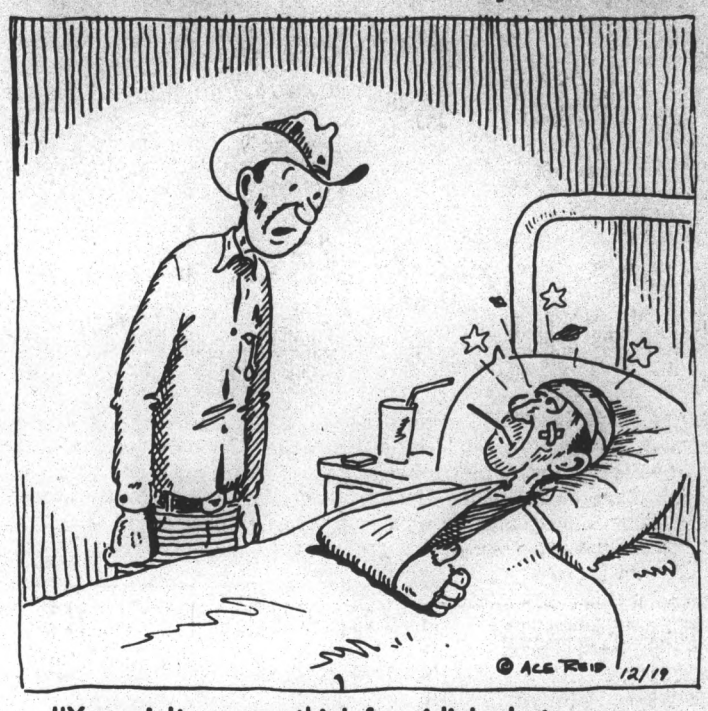
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Executor of the Will of the above named decedent

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HORSEMEN ENJOY TRAIL RIDE

PORTERVILLE – Twenty-five members of the Porterville's Horsemen's association enjoyed a trail ride, Sunday that ended with a hamburger cookout at the James Huesdens home. The club plans monthly trail rides and anyone interested in participating should call Bud or Sylvia Brookins, 784-8324.

COW POKES **By Ace Reid**



"You ain't won nothin' fer ridin'—but you won first in hittin' the ground the hardest!"

California Pork Producers' Sale, Annual Meeting In Fresno Next Week

FRESNO – Annual meeting and sale of the California Pork Producers will be held on the Fresno County fairgrounds January 28 and 29 with an educational program, a banquet, an award to the "Swine Man of the Year," livestock judging and a sale of registered swine on the program.

Bob Miller, Tulare county farm advisor, will moderate a program the afternoon of January 28 with guest speakers including Dr. Robert Busch and Dr. Everett Southam, from Chico State university; Dr. J.L. Krider, from Purdue university; and Dr. Larry Kenneday, from Smith Kline Animal Health products, Philadelphia.

Social hour, banquet, and junior achievement awards presentation is slated for the evening of January 28 at the Ramada Inn; livestock judging for Future Farmers and 4-H club members will be held the morning of January 29 under direction of Bob Frisch from Reedley college; that afternoon the swine sale will start at 1 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by Resolution of the Board of Directors of the LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on Tuesday, February 8, 1977, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the District at Woodville, California, has been set as the time and place of hearing for the consideration and adoption of the proposed Conflict of Interest Code for the LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT in accordance with the provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1974. (Government Code Sections 81,000 et seq.)

A copy of the proposed Conflict of Interest Code for the LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT is on file with the Secretary of the District at its offices at Woodville, California, and available for public examination and review.

Dated: January 12, 1977.
FRANCES M. DOYEL,
Secretary
LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT
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Y Members To Participate In Model Legislature

PORTERVILLE – The political path to Sacramento will be travelled by eight members of the Tulare County Y.M.C.A. when they leave for the 28th California Y.M.C.A. Model Legislature, February 3.

The "Y's" delegation to the Model Legislature will consist of teenage legislators, Valerie Miller, Paula DeSimone, Marta Ramos, Lori Olsen, Ron Ridgway, George Santiago, Dave Bensen and Marsha Hirose, according to Ernie Hernandez, general director of the "Y."

In preparation for the mock legislative session the group attended a state-wide training conference in San Luis Obispo recently. The local teens joined nearly 800 youth delegates from throughout the state at the conference.

While in Sacramento the eight-member delegation and their advisor, Andrea Mock, "Y" program director, will stay at the Senator hotel. In addition to the four-day schedule of legislative meetings the group plans to visit Rose Ann Vuich, state senator from Tulare county.

MURRY PARK GENERAL PLAN

PORTERVILLE – General plan for Murry park development will be discussed at a meeting of the Porterville Park commission tonight, January 20, in the city hall, starting at 7 p.m.

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Philharmonic . . .

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and a piece by Jack Behrens, formerly head of music at California State University at Bakersfield, titled "Fantasy on Francis Hopkinson's 'My Days Have Been Wondrous Free.'"

Miss Nelsova, a third generation member of a distinguished Russian family of musicians, is regarded by music critics as "one of the great cellists."

She has been praised many times for her interpretations of both modern and calssical works since she made her debut with the London symphony.

A student of Pablo Casals and Emanuel Feuermann, she was the first American cellist to tour the Soviet Union. In her career, she has performed at major summer music festivals and has appeared with most of the major orchestras in the United States.

The upcoming concert is sponsored by Porterville college. Tickets will cost $2 per person and are available at the Porterville College bookstore, Jones hardware and Wayne's Music mart in Porterville. Tickets are also being sold by PC music students and will be available at the door.

Count Basie . . .

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William Basie - the Count - will not be with the band since he recently suffered a heart attack, but one of Hollywood's finest musicians will be at the piano in his place - Nat Pierce, who appears on Doc Severinsen's "Tonight Show."

Tickets at $3.00 for adults, $2.00 for students, can be purchased at Meade's Music and Wayne's Music Mart, and will also be available at the door.

The band will bring to Porterville the typical Basie pattern - the exuberance of his big-band sound, with unsurpassed musicianship and power.

BILL WOULD PUT MINERAL KING IN PARK

WASHINGTON — Senator Alan Cranston and Representative John Krebs have announced that they have reintroduced legislation to place the Mineral King Valley area in Sequoia National park.

The legislation also requires the secretary of the interior to prepare, within two years, a comprehensive management plan for the future use of the Mineral King Valley area. During the formulation of the management plan there will be maximum public participation as called for in the bill.

Mineral King is now under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service which is supporting year-round recreational development of the area. The development is presently blocked by a lawsuit filed by the Sierra club.

The Pioneer Land Company . . .

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leader and interpreter. They probably paid the same price for their land as other purchasers in the West Field, an average of $100 per acre. They engaged in general farming and were served by the Pioneer Ditch Company. Many of these people had an opportunity to sell, and as they did so, they left.

Richard Bradley, manager of the Pioneer Bank from 1895 to 1910, said the Jews were favored and helped financially because Lilenthal and Sloss were Jews and because Thomas encouraged a good feeling. But when the banking Jews stopped giving, these settlers left.

By 1895, the Jewish Colony was a failure. The settlers had abandoned their farms. The fruit trees they had planted were cut into firewood for cook stoves and sold for $1.50 a tier.

One of the early purchasers of land was J.T. Bearss. He was given twenty acres to use as a research or trial farm. He had a variety of trees and plants. We dubbed him "our Luther Burbank." Mr. Bearss developed the Pomegranate. It was first called Bearss' Wonderful Pomegranate.

An early manager of the Pioneer Land Company was Emil Newman, a civil engineer from Tomah, Wisconsin. He was succeeded by V.D. Knupp.

Valentine Darius Knupp was a native of Charles County, Maine. In 1874, he came to California from Illinois, engaging in stock business with his half-brother, Henry Perkins. After a short time, he entered Heald's Business College in San Francisco. He returned to Visalia and served as agent for the Visalia Railroad Company for a period of four years. His next move was with the abstract company which was Miller and Knupp, then Knupp and Anderson, and is now the Visalia Abstract Company. He was also secretary of the Visalia and Tulare Railroad Company until 1895 when he resigned to accept the management of the Pioneer Land Company.

He came to Porterville in December of 1893 and stayed until his death. He married Ellen Cutler, daughter of Dr. John Cutler. They had four children, Reginald, with an out-of-state telephone company; Guy, an attorney in Porterville; Wilko, for many years connected with the Billingsley & Elliott Ford Dealers of Porterville; and Myra Walbridge.

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Bicentennial . . .

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Porterville and their participation in Bicentennial activities; also to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Edwards for their work in filming Bicentennial events and presenting historical shows.

Other organizations and individuals honored included: Porterville Ministerial association, First Congregational church, Church of the Nazarene, First Baptist church, Zion Lutheran church, Youth of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Westfield school, Olive street school, St. Anne's school, Roche school, West Putnam school, John J. Doyle school.

Springville Elementary school, Margaret Wheeler and Porterville Schools Art festival, Bartlett Jr. high and music department, Pioneer Jr. high and music department, Monache music department, Porterville high and music department, Porterville college and music and drama departments.

Guy Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Slusser, Ted Ensslin, Clara Charlie, Agnes Vera, Mr. and Mrs. Todd McNutt, Porterville fire department, Bill Reece, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Land, Bill Horst, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cochron, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fisher, James K. Maggard, Charles Dougherty, Helen Martin, Hannah Schultz, Judi Gibbons, Gail Bendoski, Anne LaPresta.

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Dr. Kenneth Fox, Dr. Allen Nelson, Don Kavadas, Dr. Paul Kercher, William A. Bratcher, Zerita Hunt, Henry Wood, Victor Bowker Jr., Jean Carns, Pat and Janet Sherman, Post 20, American Legion, Post 2001 VFW, Post 3802 VFW, Porterville chamber of commerce, Barn theater, Upper Tule association, Camp Nelson Women's club, Jackass Mail nonexistent committee, Exchange club.

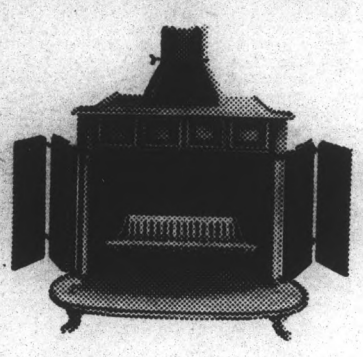
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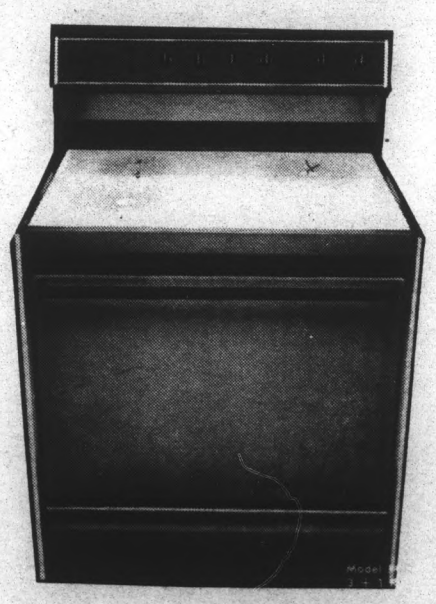
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